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XIBITZ-35 Defection Leads

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1. We would like to provide you with a letter of introduction from XIBITZ-137 to Identity (5) of ECOA-24188, however, since we do not know XIBITZ-137, contact can only be arranged through XIBITZ-15, which would give XIBITZ-15 another opportunity to annoy us regarding past XIBITZ operations.

2. We do feel that a cold approach (by an obviously American but German speaking case officer) can be made without too much difficulty since XIBITZ-15 previously indicated that they would perhaps refer these cases to some Berlin agency if we were no longer interested. It would appear to us that if Identity (5) is really sincere about these defections, she too is looking for some interested party to whom she can turn over these cases.

3. If such approach is considered by you to be impractical, we would re-consider the possibility of getting a letter of introduction providing us with appropriate Russian authority to do so.

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